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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

This Amendment After Final is in response to the Final Office Action mailed April 23, 2003. In response Applicant requests that the following amendments to the claims be considered:

In The Claims:

Please replace claims 1 and 23 with the following amended claims:

1. (Twice Amended) An endoluminal device comprising:

a framework, the framework comprising a first section and a second section, the first section
consisting of a superelastic material extending in a first plurality of longitudinal stripes, the
second section comprising a combination of a first layer of superelastic material and a second
layer of plastically deformable material extending in a second plurality of longitudinal stripes.

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23. (Amended) The device of claim 1, wherein said superelastic material comprises nitinol and said plastically deformable material is selected from the group consisting of: gold, platinum, tantalum, titanium, stainless steel, tungsten, palladium, a nickel alloy, a titanium alloy, a cobalt alloy, and a combination thereof.